



STATE OF MICHIGAN
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2015 CITY ELECTION DATES
-- August Primary/November Election --

By 4:00 p.m., April 21	Partisan and nonpartisan candidates file nominating petitions and Affidavits of Identity. (168.644f) Withdrawal deadline elapses at 4:00 p.m. on April 24.
By April 27	City clerk forwards names and addresses of partisan and nonpartisan candidates to county clerk. (168.321)
By April 28	Petitions to place proposals on ballot filed with city clerk. (If governing law sets an earlier petition filing deadline, earlier deadline must be observed.) (168.646a)
May 1	Last day a recall petition can be filed for August election. (Recalls filed against Governor, state-level or countywide office only. Does not apply to local offices; see May & November calendars for applicable deadlines.) (168.963)
By 4:00 p.m., May 12	Ballot wording of proposals qualified to appear on primary election ballot certified to city clerk. (168.646a)
By June 20	Clerks shall electronically transmit or mail (as requested) an absent voter ballot to each absent UOCAVA (uniformed services or overseas) voter who applied for an absent voter ballot 45 days or more before the election (MOVE deadline.) (168.759a)
By June 20	Absent voter ballots must be available for issuance to voters. (168.714)
June 25 through July 14	Precinct inspectors appointed for primary. (168.674)
By June 29	Notice of close of registration for primary published. (168.498)
July 6	Last day to register for primary. (168.497)
By 4:00 p.m., July 24	Write-in candidates file Declaration of Intent forms for August Primary Election. (168.737a)

By July 24	Pre-Primary Campaign Statements filed (closes July 19).
By July 28	Notice of primary published. (168.653a)
By 4:00 p.m., July 28	Petitions to place questions on general election ballot filed with city clerks. (If governing law sets an earlier petition filing deadline, earlier deadline must be observed.) (168.646a)
By July 30	Public accuracy test must be conducted. (R 168.778) Notice of test must be published at least 48 hours before test. (168.798)
July 31	Last day a recall petition can be filed for November election. (Local offices only face recall in May & November.) (168.963)
By 2:00 p.m., August 1	Electors who wish to receive an absent voter ballot for election by mail submit applications. (168.759)
By 4:00 p.m., August 3	Electors qualified to obtain an absent voter ballot for election may vote in person in clerk's office. (168.761)
Up to 4:00 p.m., August 4	Emergency absentee voting for primary. (168.759b)
By August 4	Minor parties that wish to participate in partisan city general elections nominate candidates. Parties must notify city clerk of nominated candidates within one business day after caucus (Party must have state recognized ballot status.) (168.644e)
August 4	CITY PRIMARY
Before 11:00 a.m., August 5	City clerk delivers result of primary to county clerk. (168.809)
By 5:00 p.m., August 5	Candidates without political party affiliation who seek a partisan city office file qualifying petitions and Affidavits of Identity. (168.590c) Withdrawal deadline elapses at 4:00 p.m. on August 10.
By August 10	Boards of County Canvassers meet to canvass election. (168.821)
By 4:00 p.m., August 11	Ballot wording of proposals qualified to appear on general election ballot certified to city clerk. (168.646a)
By August 13	City clerk forwards names and addresses of candidates without political party affiliation who seek a partisan city office to county clerk. (168.321)
By September 3	Post-Primary Campaign Statements filed (closes August 24).
By September 19	Clerks shall electronically transmit or mail (as requested) an absent voter ballot to each absent UOCAVA (uniformed services or overseas) voter who applied for an absent voter ballot 45 days or more before the election (MOVE deadline.) (168.759a)
By September 19	Absent voter ballots must be available for issuance to voters. (168.714)

September 24 through October 13	Precinct inspectors appointed for general election. (168.674)
By September 28	Notice of close of registration for general election published. (168.498)
October 5	Last day to register for general election. (168.497)
By October 23	Pre-Election Campaign Statements filed (closes Oct. 18)
By 4:00 p.m., October 23	Write-in candidates file Declaration of Intent forms. (168.737a)
By October 27	Notice of election published. (168.653a)
By October 29	Public accuracy test must be conducted. (R 168.778) Notice of test must be published at least 48 hours before test. (168.737a)
By 2:00 p.m., October 31	Electors who wish to receive an absent voter ballot for election by mail submit applications. (168.759)
Up to 4:00 p.m., November 2	Electors qualified to obtain an absent voter ballot for election may vote in person in clerk's office. (168.761)
Up to 4:00 p.m., November 3	Emergency absentee voting for election. (168.759b)
November 3	CITY GENERAL ELECTION
Before 11:00 a.m., November 4	City clerk delivers result of general election to county clerk. (168.809)
By November 9	Boards of County Canvassers meet to canvass election. (168.821)
By December 3	Post-General Campaign Statements filed (closes November 23).